

Afty. Dkt. No. 041673-2053

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests that the foregoing amendments be made prior to examination of the present application.

In the specification, paragraphs have been amended on page 19. The amendment is made to correct an obvious typographical error, in that the paragraph that follows the corrected title heading for Example VIII refers to the growth factor utilized in the previous Example VII, which is BDNF, rather than GDNF. No new matter is introduced by this correction, entry of which is therefore requested.

Claims 17 and 18 are being added. Support for claim 17 is found at various places in the application including, for example, page 5, lines 11-21. Support for claim 18 is found at various places in the application including, for example, page 7, lines 14-21.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

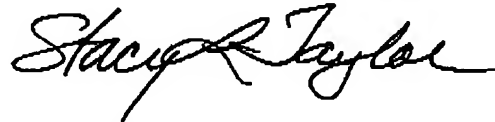
After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1 through 18 are now pending in this application.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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